1	2	3	4
10.	Kerala	Calicut	11
		Cochin	11
		Trivandrum	8
11.	Gujarat	Kandla	1
		Ahmedabad	3
12.	Jammu and Kashmir	Srinagar	2
13.	Uttarakhand	Dehradun	2
14.	Chandigarh (UT)		2
Indigenous Cases (123)			
1.	Delhi	Delhi	37
2.	Andhra Pradesh	Hyderabad	13
		Vishakhapatnam	3
3.	Punjab	Gurdaspur	1
4.	Haryana	Gurgaon	5
5.	Karnataka	Bangalore	5
6.	Maharashtra	Pune	40
7.	Gujarat	Ahmedabad	3
8.	Kerala	Trivandrum	6
		Cochin	1
9.	Rajasthan	Jaipur	4
10.	Tamil Nadu	Chennai	2
		Coimbatore	1
11.	Goa	Panjim	1
12.	Uttarakhand	Dehradun	1

Breast feeding for all children upto two years age

3101. SHRI NANDAMURI HARIKRISHNA:
SHRI M.V. MYSURA REDDY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is not a fact that due to malnutrition in the country, 50 per cent of children below five years have stunted growth;

(b) if so, what action plan does the Ministry have for proper breast feeding and vitamin supplements in the first two years of children to address malnutrition;

(c) whether any statistics are maintained about malnutrition in the country, State-wise; and

(d) if so, the details thereof with a particular reference to Andhra Pradesh in the last five years?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) As per the latest available National Family Health Survey (NFHS 3), conducted in 2005-06, 48 percent of children under five years of age were stunted.

(b) The Ministry implements the Infant and Young Child feeding guidelines wherein promotion of:—

- early initiation and exclusive breast feeding for the first six months of life.
- complementary feeding from six months onwards with continued breast-feeding upto two years of age is done.

For vitamin supplements, Vitamin A is supplemented every six months from nine months to 5 years of age and iron folic acid is supplemented as a syrup to all children found anaemic from six months to five years of age.

(c) Statistics in the country are made available through the periodically conducted National Family Health Survey (NFHS) and the latest NFHS (NFHS 3) was conducted in 2005-06.

(d) The details regarding malnutrition in children under 5 years of age, State-wise, are given in the Statement (*See* below). As per the NFHS 3, 32.5 percent of children under five years of age in Andhra Pradesh were underweight.

Statement

Nutritional Status of children under 5 years of age, by state NFHS III (2005-06)

State/UT	Weight for age
1	2
All India	**42.5**
Larger States	
Andhra Pradesh	32.5
Assam	36.4
Bihar	55.9
Chhattisgarh	47.1
Gujarat	44.6

1	2
Haryana	39.6
Jharkhand	56.5
Karanataka	37.6
Kerala	22.9
Madhya Pradesh	60.0
Maharashtra	37.0
Orissa	40.7
Punjab	24.9
Rajasthan	39.9
Tamil Nadu	29.8
Uttar Pradesh	42.4
West Bengal	38.7
Smaller States	
Arunachal Pradesh	32.5
Delhi	26.1
Goa	25.0
Himachal Pradesh	36.5
Jammu and Kashmir	25.6
Manipur	22.1
Mehgalaya	48.8
Mizoram	19.9
Nagaland	25.2
Sikkim	19.7
Tripura	39.6
Uttaranchal	38.0

Vacant posts of doctors

†3102. SHRI MOTILAL VORA:
SHRI SATYAVRAT CHATURVEDI:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state: